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Summary Information

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Biographical Note

William H. Shields of Peru, Indiana, was commissioned on April 23, 1861, as a first lieutenant, and was mustered into Company B of the 13th Regiment on June 10, 1861. He was then promoted to the rank of captain on May 10, 1862. He was mustered out on July 1, 1864 when his term expired.

Scope and Contents

There are four photocopied letters in this collection, written between 1861 and 1864. The early correspondence from William Shields to his brother, written from the field of battle, refers to Confederate prisoners taken and his company's proximity to the Confederate forces. Shields expresses some concern about resolution of a debt and makes reference to the expected arrival of the paymester.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

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Controlled Access Headings

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• United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 13th (1861-1865).

Genre(s)

Correspondence

Geographic Name(s)

• Indiana--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.